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CENTENARY

The following is the exact wording of the cablegram read by His Excellency, the Most Reverend John J. Mitty, D.D., at the Solemn Mass coram Pontifice offered in Saint Ignatius Church, San Francisco, on Sunday, December 11, in celebration of the Centenary of the arrival of the first members of the Society in California:

December 8, 1949, 9:00 A.M.

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The celebration in honor of the coming of the Jesuits to California was featured by a religious triduum of Solemn Masses in St. Ignatius Church, San Francisco. On the first day, Dec. 8th, the Mass was especially for the clergy and religious. Celebrant was Fr. Rector (O'Sullivan) Deacon, Fr. Joseph King; Subdeacon, Fr. Francis Seeliger. Both former Provincials. Fr. Zacheus Maher, also a former Provincial, preached the sermon. On the second day, the Mass was especially for the members of the student bodies of the University and High School. Very Reverend Augustine Hobrecht, O.F.M. Provincial, and two other Franciscans were officials at the Mass. Very Reverend Benedict Blank, O.P., Provincial, preached the sermon.

On the third day, the Mass was especially for friends, benefactors, etc., of our communities. Archbishop Mitty presided at the throne. Very Reverend Fr. Small, Provincial of Oregon Province, celebrated the Mass coram pontifice,

while two clerical alumni were deacon and subdeacon. Fr. Gannon, of New York, preached the sermon. At this Mass there were seven monsignori, five provincials, four rectors among the many clergy present. About two hundred were served luncheon in the auditorium after the Mass.

MORE YEAR-END TRIDUA

Fr. John Bain, Mercy Hospital, Redding.

Fr. Carl Benecke, St. Mary's Presentation Convent, Gilroy.

Fr. Francis Harrington, St. Patrick's Convent, San Jose.

Fr. William McIntosh, St. Joseph's Presentation Convent, Berkeley.

RETREATS

Fr. Joseph Clark, Nurses Retreat at St. Mary's Hospital, Tucson, March 10, 11, 12.

Fr. Francis J. Seeliger, Holy Family Postulants and Novices retreat, Mission San Jose, January 9-18.

ALMA

Nov. 22—Special haustus for the choir in honor of St. Cecilia.

Dec. 5—Triduum on the "Suscipe" given by Fr. Hagemann.

Dec. 8—The Renovation of Vows was expedited by splitting the renovants into two groups divided among the Main Chapel altars, thus avoiding the use of the "Crypt" chapels.

Dec. 9—Very Reverend Father Small, Province of Oregon, had talks with the Fourth Year fathers.

Dec. 11—Fr. Mulcahy gave a very carefully prepared talk on Europe.

Dec. 19—Delayed by the past week of bad weather, the contractors today began pouring the concrete for the main floor of the new Library.

CORRECTION

*An error is pointed out for the sake of those who have the Province News bound. By mistake last month's issue was put down as December, No. 4, instead of November, No. 3.

BELLARMINE

Dec. 1—Annual football banquet. The main speakers were Father Carr and the principal of Santa Clara High School. The principal stressed the fact that Bellarmine players and students were outstanding in their conduct and ability on and off the playing field and that it is a pleasure to deal with Bellarmine's faculty and students. Bellarmine defeated the leading Catholic teams of the north, St. Ignatius and Sacred Heart, by scores of 19 to 0 and 14 to 0. The players were selected on several Northern California All-Star Teams.

Dec. 4, 5, 6—The fall play, "Eleven Men Against the Sea," was staged before enthusiastic audiences. Young players of the lower classes were given most of the important roles to train up more actors for the big spring production.

Dec. 4—Father Pettid gave a day of recollection to Newman Club of S. J. State.

Dec. 4-8—Father Bart. O'Neil conducted the triduum to the Scholastics.

Dec. 9—The Varsity basketball team played San Jose High for the first time since George Barsi's team played in 1931. The game was nip and tuck till the last minute. When San Jose was leading 34-31, the team stalled and thereby won the game. The San Jose State Gym was packed for this thrilling game.

Dec. 10—Twelve entered the tournament of the San Francisco Forensic Association.

Dec. 11—The annual Dads' Card Party was held in the gym. The entire faculty helped in setting up tables, keeping score, serving refreshments. It was the usual great success. Many tickets were sold on the new house, "Bellemanor," and a drawing was held for some of the preliminary prizes of the grand raffle.

Dec. 12—The fall issue of the literary magazine "Bell Echo" was published under the direction of Mr. Enright.

Dec. 16—Christmas vacations began at 3:00 P.M.

Dec. 18—Christmas Party of Ladies' Guild and Dads' Club.

During the Thansgiving holidays, Fathers Minister and Rooney arranged for the Scholastics to go to villa at the USF Villa.

Mr. Fitch is conducting a Sodality probation class for 60 candidates. The Sodality conducted a successful food drive to provide Christmas baskets for the poor of San Jose.

Mr. Costa's Glee Club, which has been practicing daily, will make its debut at the Christmas Party.

A Bellarmine alumnus, Frank Somers, has been appointed head of N.B.C.'s Television Department in Hollywood.

Father Corvi directed the day of re-

collection at Notre Dame, Belmont on Dec. 18th.

The 20-30 Club of San Jose honored the coaches and star players of Bellarmine at a football banquet of Santa Clara County.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays Mr. Drendal is conducting classes in Journalism.

Wayne Belardi '48 is now with the Brooklyn Dodgers as reserve First Baseman.

Bing Crosby is too busy to put on a show for our building fund so he is sending a check for \$10,000.00.

Mr. Swain's debaters from the Junior Class won the debating tournament of the San Francisco Forensic Association in competition with 16 high schools. Two went to finals in radio contest.

The Rector's Day will be Dec. 21st. Christmas Dinner on Dec. 26th.

LOS GATOS

Nov. 21—Fr. Francis A. Moore took over the position of Socius to the Master of Novices.

Nov. 23—Mr. Eugene R. Miller, S.J., arrived. He will be assistant librarian to Fr. Schechtel.

Nov. 28—Fr. Thomas A. Reed left after spending several days here.

Dec. 5-8—Fr. James Healy gave the house triduum.

Dec. 7—The Novices' long retreat ended today.

Dec. 8—Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Renewal of Vows.

Fr. John J. Gordon left today after spending several days here while recuperating from a recent back operation.

Dec. 11—Fr. Maring after making his eight-day retreat here, returned to the Provincial's Residence today.

The Juniors put on two very entertaining one-act plays this evening. **The Rise of the Moon** was directed by Fr. Silva and Fr. Brusher staged **To Kill a Man**.

Dec. 12—Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Some of the Juniors prepared a fiesta for the Mexican workers this evening. After dinner, in the Juniors' Aula, Fr. Louis E. Kern gave them a talk on Our Lady of Guadalupe. The talk was followed by movies.

Dec. 13—Bro. Glassy, a Junior of the Oregon Province, left today after spending two weeks here. He attended class with the Los Gatos Juniors.

Fr. Marine left today after making his eight-day retreat here.

Dec. 15—Mr. Franz Wertheimer, who worked in the Winery office, died early this morning of pneumonia.

Dec. 16—Fr. Perron was brought home from O'Connor's Hospital today. His condition is slightly improved but still serious.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

The Sodality Director, Father Frugoli, and Moderators, Father Crowley, Father Want, Mr. Kolda and Mr. Fernandez attended the Province Meeting which was held at El Retiro.

The Freshman Sodality spent a day of recollection under the direction of Father Want. The Diocesan director of Sodalities, Father Connolly, addressed the group of sixty-five Freshmen Sodalists. The program included the showing of a Spanish picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Sodality Reception was held on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

The annual Canned Food Christmas Drive was conducted by the Apostolic Committee of the Junior and Senior Sodalities, who combined their efforts to make the Drive a success. The canned foods were turned over to the Helpers of the Holy Souls for distribution.

The Triduum for the Scholastics was given by Father Sausstotte. Renovation of Vows was held on December 8th.

High Mass early Christmas morning was held in the Community Chapel. The immediate families of the members of the Community were invited. The Mass was held at one o'clock in the morning instead of at midnight. The Scholastics Choir sang The Mass of the Infant Jesus.

The Henry Welch Guild (Loyola Mothers) held its Annual Tea in the new gymnasium. A very welcome monetary gift was presented to Rev. Father Rector. Father Cassasa was the guest of Father Rector.

The Gold Cross Mothers (Jesuit Mothers) sponsored a very enjoyable Christmas Party for the Jesuits of Southern California. Santa Claus had a gift for every Jesuit present, and the Scholastics sang Christmas carols.

The Junior-Senior Debating Society under the direction of Mr. Theodore Fisher, has been laboring diligently in preparation for a very active season of debating.

The Post Office Department is using the old Gym as a Sub-Station during the heavy mailing of the Christmas season.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Nov. 16—Fathers Hynes and Finnegan represented the Education Department of the University at the Annual Fall Meeting of the California Council on Teacher Education. Loyola is one of thirty-five teacher training institutions in California.

Plans are being drawn up for the formation of the Education Society of Loy-

ola University of Los Angeles. Fr. Hynes, chairman of the Education Department, will act as moderator.

A good example of the off-campus activities of the Education Department is the recent trip made by Fr. Finnegan's Test and Measurements class. This group went to St. Ann's grammar School in Santa Monica and administered intelligence tests to the whole school from the first to the eighth grade. This service will be of inestimable value in helping the Nuns to ascertain valuable information concerning their pupils' I.Q. and abilities. In addition these tests will afford means of comparing these children with thousands of others throughout the country.

Nov. 20—Fr. Parrish 'signed' the Grace before dinner and addressed members of his deaf mute society at Thanksgiving dinner held at Blessed Sacrament Church. Father and Mr. Porter of Loyola High School are also planning a one day retreat in 'Signs' on December 18 at Loyola High School.

Nov. 27—Fr. Hynes gave the Forty Hours devotion at St. Victor's Church in West Hollywood. Fr. Vaughan gave a ten minute sermon on KFI-TV, a religious program presented at noon each Sunday, with a different speaker on each program.

Nov. 30—Father Rector and eighty-two members of the faculty, Jesuit and Lay, and members of the Arnold Society attended a "get together" meeting this evening in the Sky Room. (The Arnold Society is a national Air R.O.T.C. honor society with chapters in the various universities and colleges throughout the country.) The meeting was highlighted with a talk by one of America's foremost aviators, Lt. General Ira C. Eaker (Ret.). General Eaker was commanding general of the Air Forces in Europe and at present is vice-president of the Hughes Aircraft Company. He centered his remarks on his experiences with the Russian people and their leaders during and after the recent war.

Dec. 1—Proving that "it can be done" and that the common-sense approach to labor-management relations is the most effective in solving mutual problems, the Loyola Industrial Relations School, under the direction of Fr. William J. McIntosh, held closing exercises for the Fall term this evening. The exercise or "Dress Parade" took place at the Venice Blvd. campus of the University's popular night labor school. Fr. Robert Graham opened the "Dress Parade" by briefly reviewing the work accomplished during the last four months, with special reference to the continuous, underlying philosophy which pervades the Christian

approach to Labor-Management problems. Among the other speakers this evening was Mr. Arthur J. Wiedel, a student of Fr. Benecke's, who stressed the need for intelligent adult education in his talk "Adults Need Education."

Dec. 4—Fr. Parrish conducted a one-day retreat for the Central Section of the C.Y.F. at St. Mary's Church. Part of a program of one-day retreats for young people between the ages of twenty and thirty-five, being held throughout the Archdiocese under auspices of the C.Y.F.

This evening at 8:30 p.m. Fr. Tait began the Triduum of Renovation for the Scholastics and Brother Avila.

Dec. 8—The Scholastics made their semi-annual renewal of Vows under the patronage of Our Immaculate Mother.

The community quietly observed the Hundredth Anniversary of the arrival of the Society in California by an informal celebration at the University.

Fr. Vincent O'Sullivan began a week-end retreat at the Convent of the Sisters of Social Service for twenty young married women of Orange; on the last day thirty nurses from the Confraternity of Nurses also joined the group.

Dec. 11—Fr. Vaughan gave the Forty Hours at St. Malachy's Church.

Dec. 12—Fr. Menager gave a talk to the Home Economics Group at Mt. St. Mary's College on the Topic: "The Catholic Home and How to Prepare for It."

Father Menager also conducted a three-day closed retreat for twenty young ladies interested in making an election of state in life, at the convent of the Sisters of the Helpers of the Holy Souls on West Adams.

Dec. 13—Dr. Frank Sullivan, professor of English at the University and a noted lecturer in the Southland concluded the current series of Loyola Lectures this evening. The theme of this year's lectures, "The ABC of the Utopia" was provided by St. Thomas More's widely read but frequently misunderstood work. These lectures, a cultural contribution of the University to the people of Los Angeles, were begun by Fr. Ryan in 1946 and have yearly gained in popularity.

Fr. Thomas O'Rourke accompanied the Basketball Team on their barnstorming trip through the East.

Dec. 15—Beginning its series of Formal Concerts the Loyola University Glee Club presented its Annual Winter Concert this evening in the University Library. The program featured traditional Advent Hymns from the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries and contemporary semi-classical choral arrangements.

F. X. McDonald, a recent graduate of the University and currently appearing on television highlighted the evening with his interpretations of American folk-ballads. Father Rector, members of the community and a large group of friends attended.

Dec. 16—Christmas recess began.

Dec. 19—Christmas "Open House" at the University was held in the Students' Dining Room this afternoon.

MANRESA HALL

Hospital Experiment

Fr. Martin Morley—St. Joseph's, Vancouver, Wn.

Fr. Willis Egan—Sacred Heart, Spokane.

Fr. Thomas Korn—St. Helen's, Chelalis.

Retreats

Fr. Patrick Shaules—Students, Holy Rosary Academy, Moxee City (Dec. 4-8).

Fr. Robert Plushkell—Brothers, Manresa Hall (Dec. 9-18).

Fr. Robert Plushkell—Postulants, Mount St. Vincent's, Seattle (Jan. 9-19).

Triduum

Fr. Leo Cullen—St. Anne's Convent, Seattle (Dec. 4-8).

Conferences

Fr. Harry Carlin—Providence Sisters, St. John's Hospital.

Fr. Henri Charvet—Providence Sisters, St. Elizabeth's, Yakima.

Nov. 26—Fr. Richard Roberts underwent a hernia operation at St. John's Hospital, Port Townsend.

Dec. 1-2—Bishop Gleeson, S.J., of Alaska, visited Manresa Hall. He was in the first group to make tertianship here. During his visit Bishop Gleeson gave a talk on the Rosary Crusade in Alaska.

SAN FRANCISCO

Church

On Thanksgiving Day, the annual Memorial Mass was offered for the deceased members of Ignatian Council, Y.M.I., by Fr. Cosgrove, the Chaplain.

Fr. Richard Spohn offered a Mass for the deceased members of the Ladies Sodality, as their annual Memorial Mass.

The Ladies Sodality also had an anniversary Mass offered for Fr. Gleeson, their late Director.

The Jesuit Mothers held their annual Christmas party in the High School auditorium.

The Loyola Guild held their annual Christmas party in the University Auditorium. They presented Fr. President (William Dunne) with a substantial check for the fund drive.

Fr. William Klement spoke at all the

Masses on one Sunday in an appeal for funds for the California Jesuits in China.

University

Fr. Peter Dunne has been named a Corresponding Member of the Academy of the American Franciscan History "in recognition of the significant contributions which his studies have made to the promotion of American Franciscan History."

Together with Dr. Herbert E. Bolton and George P. Hammond, both of the department of history, University of California, and eleven other Latin Americans, Father Dunne has been recently created an honorary member of the Congreso Mexicano de Historia. Fr. Dunne's fourth book on the early Jesuit missions in northern Mexico has just been completed: "The Jesuit Missions of Lower California." He will give it to the University of California Press early in 1950.

Fr. Brolan gave the points to those making the semi-annual renovation triduum.

Frs. William Dunne and Malaise spent a short time in the hospital with severe colds.

Fr. Paul Harney was a member of the committee appointed by the Northwest Accrediting Association to examine the newly constituted Sacramento State College.

Fr. Harney also attended the meeting of the Northwest Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, held in Spokane. He took part in the panel discussions.

Fr. John McGloin's book, "The Eloquent Indian," the life of Fr. Bouchard, S.J., has been published by the Stanford University Press. The cover jacket was prepared by a former U.S.F. student, the brother of Mr. Edwin McFadden, S.J.

Fr. Malachy O'Donovan, an alumnus of the University, has been ordained in the Franciscan Order at Santa Barbara.

High School

Nov. 23—The Fall Dance for all students participating in extra-curricular activities was sponsored by the Block Club in the auditorium.

Nov. 27—At the first such ceremony held before the new altar six candidates were received into the Sanctuary Society by Rev. Fr. Rector.

Nov. 29—Annual Shakespearean Contest held in U.S.F. auditorium. Winners were coached by Messrs. Prussing, E. L. Burke, and Devlin. The high school orchestra played during the intermission.

Dec. 1—First and second places in the Hearst History Contest were won by two seniors. Disappointing, however, was the small number of students who placed below them.

Dec. 4—A Day of Recollection was conducted by Fr. Jos. O'Gara for the whole Sodality. The day started at 8:00 with Mass and Communion and wound up at 1:00 p.m. after a series of profitable spiritual exercises and conferences.

Dec. 5—Fr. Arthur Brannigan, S.J., of the Byzantine Rite, talked to an interested group of Sodalists about his recent experiences with the Russians in Shanghai.

The Ad Drive began for the school play. To date, well over \$2,000 worth of ads have been signed for.

"Yellow Jack" is the school play—to appear in February. Among other varieties the play calls for 47 scenes. Also to eliminate record-playing, the high school orchestra will contribute to the performance. Messrs. Kelly, Henry, and Dennis are assisting with the production. The admission prices will be notably lower than last year's.

Dec. 7—A film depicting teaching methods in the U. S. Army was shown to the teachers at the general monthly meeting.

The Fathers' Club meeting featured the Sophomore Talent Show. For the first time since the popular shows had started, there was no accordion player among the contestants. However, an abundance of vocalists, piano players, and a hill-billy feature provided plenty of entertainment. Also at the meeting, certificates were issued to deserving football and basketball players entitling them to purchase blocks.

Dec. 8—The basketball varsity opened its AAA season with a sweeping victory over Balboa but lost badly a week later to Washington. The 130s' lost both their encounters by a reasonably close score. The league will terminate with a four-team play-off as in football. One of the first prep teams to play in the Cow Palace, the varsity played and defeated Ukiah, the winner of the Healdsburg tournament, in a preliminary to the USF-UCLA game.

A new basketball team coached by Mr. Devlin has made a creditable showing. It is a combination of "cuts" from the varsity and of players whose exponents would not permit them to play on the lightweight team. Arrangements are underway to enter some city league.

Dec. 9—Students commemorated the centenary by attending Solemn High Mass in St. Ignatius Church. Along with the University Student Body they filled the Church to overflowing. It was announced that the following Friday would be a holiday in honor of the centennial.

Dec. 13—Sophomore Oratorical Contest in USF auditorium. Winning talks were on subjects concerning Cardinal

Mindzenty, the Missionaries, and Catholic Education.

Dec. 10—St. Ignatius High was host for a novice debate tournament attended by representatives from Bay Area schools. Santa Rosa won the sweepstakes award.

Dec. 13-15—The third period of the semester was shortened so as to permit the examinations to be given before Christmas.

Dec. 14—The Christmas IGNATIAN was distributed and sold with the same price and popularity as before. A picture of the altar dedication was featured on the cover.

Dec. 19—Under the sponsorship of the Sodality, several students entertained polio patients and others at the Children's Hospital and at the Home for the Aged.

Notanda: Fr. Jacobs' test tube Christmas tree, consisting of parts of chemical equipment strung together with colored lights blinking on and off, again held students' awe-struck attention from the display window on the third floor.

In an attempt to encourage swimming as a sport in high school, city swim coaches are planning a league with two divisions. The S-I team coached by Messrs. Fox and Duggan hopes to win the dual meet in its division and compete against Lowell from the other division. This new league will not affect the annual city meet in which all schools compete together.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Nov. 23—Rev. Father Rector and the Varsity Football players returned from Norman, Oklahoma.

Nov. 24—Thanksgiving Day. Vacation for students of the University until the 28th.

Nov. 28—Mid-term Examinations began in all the University departments. The new Mausoleum at the Catholic Cemetery has been completed.

Nov. 29—During the week various members of the Faculty succumbed to an epidemic of the "Flu" virus. Fathers R. McMahon, F. Spieler, J. Markey, C. Walsh and H. Walsh spent a few days in the Infirmary.

Nov. 30—Father C. Deeney conducted a three day retreat for the Little Sisters of the Poor in San Francisco.

Dec. 1—Concert in the University Auditorium by Miss Solveig Lunde of Vallejo, California, nationally known pianist.

Dec. 4—One week's mission in Saint Clare's parish church conducted by Fathers Bradstreet, Giambastiani and O'Meara. Father Leo Marine, assistant at Saint Clare's, began his retreat at Los Gatos.

Dec. 7—Ellery Williams, a distinguished member of the Varsity Football Squad, baptized by Father Von der Ahe.

Dec. 8—Solemn High Mass in the College Church; celebrant Father Joseph Pociask, deacon Father Walter Kropp and subdeacon Father Walter Schmidt. The sermon was preached by Father Hugh Donavon.

Father James Kearney attended the World Affairs Council which opened at Asilomar on December 9th. The main subject of the discussion was the "Present State of Affairs in China."

Dec. 10—Meeting of the officers of the Alumni Association of the University in the Adobe Lodge, followed by a banquet.

Dec. 11—Annual Christmas Dinner of the lay faculty members and their wives in the Adobe Lodge. The Fathers of the Community were invited guests.

Dec. 12—The members of the House of Philhistorians held a special debate under the direction of Father Joseph Martin. The subject was "Has the Santa Clara County Grand Jury Attained Its Object?"

Dec. 13—Rev. Father Victor White arrives in the Community for his annual retreat. Very Reverend Father Provincial also arrived for his retreat.

Dec. 14—Students of the University left for their Christmas vacations.

The usual suffrages of the Society are to be offered by those bound by the Oregon Province agreement for the soul of Father Oscar F. Auvil, who died at Seattle, Washington, on December 19, 1949.

Other Recent Deaths

Father Joseph L. Lucas, at St. Ann's Rectory, West Palm Beach, Florida, on Nov. 19.

Father Thomas F. Nilon at Miami, Florida, on Nov. 23.

Mother of Mr. Dryden.

Uncle of Father Kelleher.